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1.53(b))

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application  
contents.

1.  Specification Total Pages 20
2.  Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) Total Pages 5
3.  Declaration and Power of Attorney Total Pages 4
  - a.  Unexecuted(original or copy)
  - b.  Copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
*(for continuation/divisional with Box 14 completed) [Note Box 4 Below]*
  - i.  **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting  
Inventor(s) named in the prior appln.  
see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
4.  Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which  
a Copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box  
3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the  
accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by  
reference therein.

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

5.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documentation)
6.  Letter under 37 CFR 1.41(c).
7.  English Translation Document to follow (*if applicable*)
8.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  Copies of IDS Citations
9.  Preliminary Amendment
10.  Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
*(Should be specifically itemized)*
11.  Small Entity  Statement filed in prior Application,  
Statement(s) Status still proper and desired
12.  Certified copy(ies) of Japanese priority document(s)  
No(s). P2003-092330 filed March 28, 2003, and P2004-038488  
filed February 16, 2004.

## 14. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

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Please charge attorney's firm American Express Account No. 378571697401002 in the amount of \$ 1,060.00 to cover the above fees. PTO Form 2038 is enclosed for that purpose.

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RE: New U.S. Application for Letters Patent entitled  
“AUDIO APPARATUS HAVING TUNER UNIT AND DIGITAL  
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Applicant(s): Yozo Tanaka, et al.  
Attorney Docket No. 09792909-5818

Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.41(c), I am filing the attached application, including 5 claims (1 independent w/multiple), 5 sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-6) and the filing fee of \$1,060.00 on behalf of

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and request that the application be assigned a serial number and filing date pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) and 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d).

Very truly yours,

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